Beaver Lake March 2026 News

President's Message

Neighbors,

As winter tries to hold on at Beaver Lake, it is hard not to notice the subtle shift that tells us spring is on the horizon. We had a brief window of ice this season, and for those brave enough to venture out, I hope the fish were bountiful and the stories even better. With roughly 21 days until spring, there may still be opportunities to enjoy the ice, but please use caution. Conditions can change quickly, and safety should always come first.

As I've shared in my last two letters, our focus has been steady navigation, clear communication, and long-term thinking. I am pleased to report that overall; the lake has been quiet in the best possible way. The waters have calmed. Social media negativity has noticeably decreased, and there has been a meaningful increase in constructive involvement.

More of you are attending meetings, sending emails directly, and engaging through the proper channels that allow us to gather facts, investigate concerns, and work toward solutions. Calm communication always steers us farther than shouting into the wind. We are not steering by rumor or reacting to every passing wave. We are charting by compass, not by current. Your efforts have made a real difference.

The slow and steady steering of our vessel continues to feel a little easier, and that is because of all of you and the efforts of our Beaver Lake staff. Their work often happens behind the scenes, and at times it can feel like a thankless position, but please know how much the Board appreciates their dedication. From managing day-to-day operations to handling the unexpected waves that roll in, they keep this community moving forward with professionalism and care.

Infrastructure and Project Updates

On the southwest cove culvert, estimates are now in and came in right at the engineer's projected budget. That alignment is encouraging and a testament to the diligence of the Infrastructure Committee and our engineering partners. Contracts will be issued shortly, and work will begin as soon as weather permits. This project has been discussed for quite some time, and seeing it move from planning into execution is a meaningful step forward for the long-term health of the lake.

The dam project remains in a holding pattern as we await additional guidance from FEMA, but we continue coordinating with Houston Engineering on items that can advance in the meantime. Once we receive clearer direction, I will provide a dedicated update focused solely on that effort.

Weed Management

I am also pleased to share that the weed harvester has been officially approved. This is a proactive investment that will help us better manage vegetation challenges we have experienced in past seasons. More detailed information will follow regarding implementation, scheduling, and funding structure, but this approval marks important progress. Instead of reacting to problems mid-season, we are positioning ourselves to manage them more effectively moving forward.

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Communication Improvements

One of the most exciting developments is the launch of our new text notification system. It is up and running, and early feedback has been very positive. Timely, direct communication strengthens our entire community, whether it relates to weather events, security updates, outages, or important association notices.

If you have not yet opted in, please connect with the office. Improving communication has been one of our stated priorities, and this is a significant step in that progression.

Engagement and Opportunity to Serve

Let me continue to encourage involvement. Attend meetings. Join a committee. Ask questions. Call or email any Board member with concerns, suggestions, or ideas. Do not hesitate.

We are listening. We are evaluating. We are creating measurable goals and KPIs where appropriate, and when ideas make sense, we respond with thoughtful action plans. Good governance is not about reacting to noise; it is about measuring what matters and executing with discipline. The more engaged the community is through the proper channels, the stronger and more aligned our decisions become.

We may not always be able to implement every suggestion, but you will always receive a fair review and a respectful response.

We also have an upcoming Board election. If you feel led to contribute at that level, now is the time. The deadline for submitting your name is in March. Please check in with the office for details on how to throw your name in the hat. Fresh perspectives and engaged members help keep our vessel balanced and strong.

A Personal Note

As I've shared in my last two letters, it is truly an honor to serve this community. Beaver Lake is more than a small lake just south of Plattsmouth. It is families. It is friendships. It is early mornings on the water, late nights around a firepit, and generations creating memories that last a lifetime.

I speak on behalf of the entire Board when I say how grateful we are for the trust you have placed in us. We do not take that responsibility lightly. Our goal remains simple: provide steady leadership, communicate transparently, and make decisions that protect the long-term health and future of the lake we all call home.

Closing

As we prepare to welcome spring, let's continue rowing in the same direction. The compass is steady. The crew is stronger. The wind is beginning to shift in our favor.
We will continue listening. We will continue measuring what matters. And we will continue making decisions grounded in facts, long-term planning, and what is best for the entire community.

We may adjust the sails from time to time, but the destination remains the same.
Thank you for your continued involvement, your constructive engagement, and your commitment to Beaver Lake. It truly is an honor to serve alongside this community.

Lake Strong,
Mike Langford
President, Beaver Lake Association

Beaver Lake Patrol is Hiring

BEAVER LAKE'S

LAKE PATROL

Hiring

Responsibilities:

- Patrol areas of the lake to enforce boating regulations and safety protocols.
- Educate lake users on boating laws, safety practices, and environmental conservation.
- Conduct inspections of boats and watercraft for compliance with safety equipment requirements.
- Maintain accurate records of patrol activities and incident reports.
- Collaborate with law enforcement and emergency services when necessary.
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Requirements:

- Must be at least 18 years old.
- Valid driver's license and clean driving record.
- Strong swimming ability and comfort working in various weather conditions.
- Ability to work weekends and holidays.
- Previous experience in lifeguarding, boating, or first responder is preferred.

WWW.BEAVERLAKENE.ORG

Applications can be found on the BLA Website: https://www.beaverlakene.org/forms/

Beaver Lake Association

BLA Website Advertising

The Beaver Lake Monthly Online Newsletter and the BLA Website Recent News Section are our only sources of official BLA News. Both are located on the BLA Website. So, we'd like to offer all area businesses a chance to advertise on the BLA Website.

Yellow Page ads can link directly to your company's website and are very inexpensive.

Rotating Banner ads are also a great option & display on every page of the BLA Website.

Check out the BLA Website at https://www.beaverlakene.org.

Contact Jill at the BLA office for more information: jillp@beaverlakene.org

Fishing Club

Join us for the Fishing Club's Annual **Spaghetti Feed** and Membership Drive

Saturday, March 7th - 5 to 8pm
Beaver Lake Clubhouse

Free Will Donations Accepted

Come for food, raffle, fun, prizes and lots of good fish stories!

Beaver Lake Women's Auxiliary

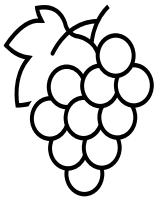
Our January meeting involved taking down the Christmas tree at the clubhouse and hearing a very favorable report concerning our Christmas dinner held December 5th. Our February gathering was supposed to be a board game afternoon but turned into a good time of chatting. Troy gave a short presentation of items that would be beneficial to the lake for our consideration when spending our funds. A committee will go over the list and present a recommendation at our March meeting. An outing in February was a group attendance at the movie, "Solo Mio".

Our March meeting will be held on the 1st. This is our first official meeting of the year. Any woman who lives at Beaver Lake is eligible to belong to our group and would be most welcomed at our 1:00 meeting at the Beaver Lake clubhouse. Please pay special attention to the notice (pg. 5) for our upcoming scholarship fundraiser, **"Grape Expectations" to be held March 26th**. Also, applications for our scholarships are due the 15th of March. Contact annmcgee.mcgee@gmail.com for an application.

Beaver Lake Women's Auxiliary – Grape Expectations

Join the Women's Auxiliary for Wine Tasting presented by Beaver Lake Beer Wine & Spirits. Each ticket holder may taste up to 6 wines and sample the charcuterie and chocolate. Silent Auction items will be available. Wine by the bottle will be available to be purchased. All proceeds are for the Beaver Lake Women's Auxiliary Scholarships and Community Projects.

Wine Cheese Chocolates
Thursday March 26
Beaver Lake Clubhouse
5:30-7:30 pm



Tickets are $20.00 ahead or $25.00 at the door. Contact any Beaver Lake Women's Auxiliary member or Starre Haney at starreann@gmail.com or text to 480-861-2239

Mowing Notice

Attention Please!

This notice is regarding your lot at Beaver Lake. This is your one and only notice to mow and maintain your lot and road right-of-way during the 2026 mowing season. You **will not** be given notice each time your lot needs mowed. If the length of the grass, weeds, or any other growth reaches or exceeds 15" in length (as stated in the Beaver Lake Handbook,) it will be mowed under the direction of Beaver Lake Association at a cost of $125 per mowing of the lot or $62.50 per mowing of the ditch and/or embankments. The cost of the mowing will be billed to the owner of record.

Once the owner receives a bill for mowing, it must be paid within 30 days. After 30 days delinquent, the account is turned over to the Association attorney for processing. The Beaver Lake Association does not wish to be in the mowing business, so we are asking that you please make arrangements for your lot to be mowed and maintained until the growth stops in late October. Remember that the mowing responsibility includes the road right-of-way. If you have any questions about the location of your lot, please notify us at 402-235-2241. Mowing contractors can be found on the Beaver Lake website. Please utilize one of them and save yourself some money. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Troy Weatherby, Managing Director

Election Notice

Important Election Information

Beaver Lake Association members have a choice of voting by proxy via email or in person at the clubhouse in our elections. All regular members get one ballot per fees-paying membership, whether voting by proxy or in person.

Members who choose to vote by proxy must register each year on our website. Annual registration is available between January 1 and the last Friday in April. If you own multiple lots, register each one separately. Register to E-Vote

Proxy Voting

When you register to e-vote, you will need to provide your lot number, name of registered lot owner, and an email you can access during election weekend.

Be sure your lot number is correct. Be sure you can access that email during election weekend.

On the Friday evening of election weekend, you will receive an email with a link to your electronic ballot. Multiple lot registrants will receive separate emails for each lot. You will have until 3 pm on election Sunday to vote.

To vote, click the link to open your ballot, select your choices, confirm, and submit.

About two weeks before the annual meeting and election, all members will receive a notice of annual meeting and election, along with the list of candidates and their bios.

- ► Signing up for our email newsletter does NOT register you to e-vote.
- ► Previous registration to e-vote does NOT register you to e-vote in subsequent elections. Annual registration keeps our voter lists up to date.
- ► If you register to e-vote by proxy, you will be ineligible to vote in person too.

Those who do not register to e-vote by proxy may vote in person at the clubhouse on the day of the election.

Remember, if you want to vote by proxy in the coming election, registration begins in January.

For details about our election procedures, see Section VII, Election Procedures in our Handbook: Home > Information > BLA Handbook;
or contact the office at 402-235-2241 or info@beaverlakene.org.

Anyone interested in serving on the Election Committee should apply online or contact the office at 402-235-2241.

2026 Board of Directors Election Notice

This serves as your public notice of these important election dates.
Please keep these important dates in mind!

Friday, March 27, 2026 4:00pm BLA Office
Final date and time for BLA property owners to declare candidacy for BLA Board of Directors

Thursday, April 16, 2026 7:30pm Board Meeting – BLA Clubhouse
* Board acceptance of candidates and Three-minute speeches by Board Candidates

Friday, April 24, 2026
* Last day for members to register to vote electronically

Friday, May 8, 2026 4:00pm BLA Office

Final date and time for BLA members to declare write-in candidacy for BLA Board of Directors

Sunday, May 17, 2026 3:00pm Annual Meeting – BLA Clubhouse
* Balloting closed at call to order of BLA Annual Meeting.
* Election results announced prior to the close of the BLA Annual Meeting

Please see the Beaver Lake Association Handbook on the website for complete Election Procedures

Election Procedures

Please visit the Beaver Lake Website
www.beaverlakene.org
to view the latest edition of
the Beaver Lake Handbook.
Election Procedures are in Section VII

Nebraska Boating Safety Class

Instructors: US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 33-03 Omaha, NE

Date of Class: March 28, 2026
Hours: 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Location: Beaver Lake Clubhouse – 9410 Clubhouse Circle, Plattsmouth, NE 68048

Note: Bring a sack lunch and drink.

Cost: $10 cash or check at class

To register, contact Marie Carsey
Call or text 402-415-6400 – Or e-mail at carseymarie@gmail.com

Summer Employment at BLA

The Beaver Lake Association is now accepting applications for full and part-time summer employment.

We need employees for: **Coconuts, Lifeguards, Mowers, Patrol,** and **Boat Ramp.**

Find the Application for Employment in the Forms section of the BLA Website: https://www.beaverlakene.org/forms/

Then drop your application off at the BLA office or in the drop box in the Clubhouse parking lot.

Questions?
Call us at 402-235-2241.

Subscribe to BLA Text Messages

You can sign up to get text alerts from the Beaver Lake Association from your cell phone. Please read the terms and conditions for our texting service by clicking here: **TextMyGov Terms and Conditions**. Opt-in through this link: **Sign Up**.

If you already received our first text message on 1-20-26, then you are already signed up! Opt-out by texting “STOP” to 91896.

BLA Patrol – Sticker Information

Stay tuned to the April Beaver Lake News for more information on Boat Stickering.

From Your Friends at the BLA Office

Brush Site: The Brush Site will re-open for the year on March 2, 2026.

Pet Licensing: Pet licensing is due each year. See **Link** on BLA Website.

New Dues & Water Rates for 2026

- Water and Sewer rates remain the same with a base of $19.00 for water and $13.50 for sewer. Then each 1000 gallons after will be $4.27 for water and $2.99 for sewer – plus taxes.
- 2026 Dues rates will be $333.10 per quarter for a total of $1332.40 for the year.

Calendar Reservations

Property owners can make **2026** reservations for the campground, three pavilions and Clubhouse. You can also make 2027 Clubhouse reservations.

Stay tuned. 2026 reservations for the pool will begin in late spring.

New Property Owners

- Check out the Beaver Lake Website! There is a plethora of useful information.
- You can also stop by the Beaver Lake Office for a Welcome Packet.
- Sign up for Beaver Lake text messages on the front page of the Website so you can read the monthly newsletter and be notified of emergencies.
- We'd love to have you fill out a Membership Info Form if you haven't already!

BLA Website: www.beaverlakene.org

The BLA Website is your home for all official Beaver Lake News, Calendar info, Advertising, Handbook, Documents, Board & Committee minutes, Information and Online Payments.

Make sure to check it regularly and see what you find!

Online Payments

Don't forget you can pay your Beaver Lake bills online by clicking **Pay Online** from the main menu of the website! Call the office if you have questions.